THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : The project has not been cleared by the Central for want of specific concurrence of the other Cauvery basin States, namely, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu for the proposed water utilisation under this Project.

Review of Foreign Conrtibution Regulation Act

2913. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have undertaken a review of the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act recently; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether Government have held consultations or proposed to hold the same with representatives of voluntary associations|organisations engaged in the welfare of the poor and in other developmental activities with the help of foreign contributions received by them under the said Act;

(c) if so, what are the conclusions arrived at at these discussions; and

(d) whether any new guidelines have been or are being issued under the Act; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The details are being worked out, which will be disclosed at the time of the introduction of the Bill.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Question does not arise.

(d) No, Sir. However, the rules under the Act will be revised as and when the Act is amended.

Atrocities against Adivasi women in Dhanbad, Bihar

2914. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received a representation dated the 8th July, 1989 from the Bihar Colliery Kamgar Union, Dhanbad drawing his attention to the police atrocities against Adivasi women in Dhanbad, Bihar;

(b) whether Government are also aware of the recent press reports on humiliation of Adivasi women in Dhanbad area by both the police and the anti-social elements; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) 'Police' and 'Public Order' being State subjects, the incident has been referred to the Government of Bihar for immediate enquiry.

2915. [Transferred to the 8th August, 1989]

Exchange rate of rupee in International Market

2916. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: what steps are being taken to arrest the fall of exchange rate of rupee in the International Market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): The exchange rate of the rupee is fixed with reference to the exchange rate movement of a suitably weighted basket of currencies. In a regime of floating exchange rates, up-